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SUBJECT: B.C. FISHING INDUSTRY GOES ON STRIKE

1. ON SUNDAY, JULY 16, FISHING TENDER WORKERS REJECTED A LAST MINUTE OFFER BY THE INDUSTRY (B.C. FISHERIES ASSOCIATION), AND WENT ON STRIKE. THEY THUS JOINED THE APPROXIMATELY 3,000 CANNERY WORKERS WHO HAD EARLIER VOTED TO REJECT THE INDUSTRY'S OFFER TO THEM, AND ALSO CLOSED DOWN OPERATIONS OVER THE WEEKEND.

2. THEY WERE ALSO JOINED BY THE THIRD PART OF THE ORGANIZED FISHING INDUSTRY, THE FISHERMEN THEMSELVES, WHO HAD PREVIOUSLY ACCEPTED THE FISHERIES ASSOCIATION OFFER OF INCREASED PRICES. (ALL THREE SEGMENT OF THE UNITED FISHERMEN AND ALLIED WORKERS UNION (UFAWU) HAD AGREED TO ACT JOINTLY IF ANY OF THE THREE DECIDED TO REJECT INDUSTRY'S OFFERS.)

3. ABOUT 14,000 WORKERS WILL BE IDLED, AND ESTIMATES ARE THAT THE INDUSTRY WILL LOSE UP TO DOLS 20 MILLION PER WEEK. THE MOST HARD HIT AMONG THE WORKERS WILL PRESUMABLY BE THE FISHERMEN, WHO NOT ONLY AGREED TO ACCEPT THE NEW MINIMUM PRICES (AVERAGING A 12.8 PERCENT INCREASE), BUT WHO OBTAIN A LARGE SHARE OF THEIR ANNUAL INCOME IN A RELATIVELY SHORT PERIOD DURING THE SUMMER. (THE STRIKE
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COMES JUST AT THE PEAK OF THE NORTHERN SALMON FISHING SEASON.)

4. THE OFFER REJECTED BY THE TENDERMEN WAS REPORTEDLY FOR A DOLS 9 PER DAY INCREASE, IN CONTRAST TO THEIR LAST DEMAND OF DOLS 12.50 (ABOUT A 13 PERCENT RAISE). THE CANNERY WORKERS REJECTED A 55 CENT PER HOUR RAISE, IN CONTRAST TO THE 85 CENTS THEY WERE SEEKING (ABOUT A 10 PERCENT INCREASE).

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